

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appln. No. 10/766,310 Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

Filing Date: January 27, 2004 Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned

For: TAPERED COUPLER FOR COUPLING A MOTOR TO A HOIST MACHINE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Examiner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any excess payment to effect the entry of this Amendment to Deposit Account 50-2061.

Preliminary to examination of the above-identified application and calculation of the fees, please amend the application as follows: